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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SURJECT: Status of the Briefing Print Enlarger (BPE)

1. Procurement of the Briefing Print Enlarger for NPIC.

PAR 243 is a new project designation for the prototype phase of the Briefing Print Enlarger. We expect to receive the proposal and specifications within the next two weeks from the In the meantime, has stated that they are working on the long-range phases of the Briefing Frint Enlarger prototype on a priority basis.

2. Procurement of Seven Additional Prototype Models for the Intelligence Community Through the Medium of COPE.

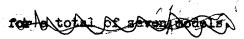
Beveral agencies have requested that NPIC purchase seven additional prototype models of the Briefing Print Enlarger. The four agencies concerned are the Naval Recommaissance Technical Support Center (NRTSC), Navy Eureau of Weapons, the DIA, and USAF Systems Command (AFSC). These agencies are most anxious to commit FY 1966 funds toward these prototype models. They have been informed of the procedure for joint procurement and development of the Briefing Print Enlarger and are now in the process of transferring their funds to the Director of MPIC who will in turn assign the funds to OSA, provided this method of handling the contract is approved. Each model will cost approximately per unit. On this basis DIA will transfer approximately been unit. On this basis DIA will transfer approximately to MPIC; Bureau of Weapons will transfer approximately The balance of the funds in the case of the Bureau of Weapons and MRTSC will come from funds already held by MPIC. The orders now stand at the following:

- NPIC - one model;

Bureau of Weapons - two models:

DIA and NRTSC - one model each; and

AFSC - three models:



3. Method of Procurement.

It has been recommended by and by the Development Branch that the models be purchased through a special contract already held with

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to OSA. In a conversation with	25X
stated that show would not be able to get permission to	25X
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it is necessary that security of the covert component involved at Eastman	i.
Kodak be protected by avoiding open channels of contracting.	
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Then the Contracting Officer at OSA receives the funding data from	ì
MPIC for contracting the seven prototype models, he will send a message	
of authorization to to commence fabrication of the seven	25X ⁻
prototype models.	2071
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